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In re Application of  
ZANG et al.  
Application No.: 10/612,468  
Filing Date: July 2, 2003  
Attorney Docket No.: 057186.000003

DECISION ON PETITION  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed January 8, 2007, to revive the above-identified application. (Although the petition is entitled "PETITION TO REVIVE UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(a)", it is clear from the fee paid and the petition itself that the petition is intended as a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b).)

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed May 24, 2006, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, by operation of law, the above-identified application became abandoned on August 24, 2006.

The petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that (1) the reply in the form of an amendment; (2) the petition fee; and (3) the required statement of unintentional delay have been received. Accordingly, the reply to the Office action mailed May 24, 2006 is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 1644 for appropriate action, if any, on the reply in due course.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3301.

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